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2. If the Soviet offer is rejected and peaceful co-existence between West and East will thus be possible only on the basis of a divided Germany, Moscow is ready to give up the Soviet sector of Berlin and probably will propose an international status for all of Greater Berlin. In this event, the Soviets want, however, guarantees against Western agents operating from Berlin. The Soviets will also press for economic concessions to the GDR Government.

Comment. Soviet intentions for a change of the status of Berlin are not new. It appears that the Soviets have intensified their activities in Berlin recently. Florin, a member of the [REDACTED] and to have worked out, by order of the [REDACTED], a program for an international status of Berlin.

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